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SUBJECT: AMENDMENT OF VISA AGREEMENT

REF: A. MEXICO 9334; B. MEXICO 9307; C.MEXICO 9044

1. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THE QUESTION OF IBWC EMPLOYEES SHOULD BE RESOLVED BEFORE NOTES ARE EXCHANGED TO ELIMINATE ARTICLE I OF VISA AGREEMENT. THIS COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED EITHER BY ISSUANCE OF MUTUAL BUT INDEPENDENT WAIVER INSTRUCTIONS TO COVER IBWC EMPLOYEES, AS SUGGESTED PARAGRAPH 3, REF A, OR AS ADDITION TO TEXT OF NOTES, REF C.

2. IF THE GOM IS AGREEABLE, OUR PREFERENCE IS FOR THE SECOND ALTERNATIVE. WE ACCORDINGLY PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE TO BE ADDED TO THE TEXT OF BOTH GOM AND EMBASSY NOTES.

INSERT TO US NOTE

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IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT TERMINATION OF THE AFORESAID
ARTICLE 1 WILL NOT RESULT IN EITHER GOVERNMENT REQUIRING
PASSPORTS OR VISAS OF INDIVIDUALS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLES
2 AND 20 OF THE TREATY BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA AND THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES RELATING TO THE

UTILIZATION OF THE WATERS OF THE COLORADO AND TIJUANA
RIVERS, AND OF THE RIO GRANDE (RIO BRAVO) FROM FORT
QUITMAN TEXAS TO THE GULF OF MEXICO, SIGNED IN WASHING-
TON FEBRUARY 3, 1944.

INSERT IN MEXICAN NOTE

SAME AS IN US NOTE BUT POSITION NAMES OF THE TWO
COUNTRIES TRANSPOSED IN THE REFERENCE TO THE TREATY.

3. PRESS RELEASE SUGGESTED REF B SHOULD ADD IN COMMAS
BETWEEN THE WORDS QUOTE COUNTRY END QUOTE AND QUOTE WILL
END QUOTE THE FOLLOWING: QUOTE OTHER THAN THOSE INDIVID-
UALS REFERRED TO IN THE 1944 WATER TREATY. END QUOTE.

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